NOTICE OF A CITIZENS INFORMATIONAL WORKSHOP FOR THE PROPOSED CLOSURE OF THE CLARK STREET CSX RAILROAD CROSSING IN ROCKY MOUNT

P-4804A Edgecombe County

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) will hold the above Citizens Informational Workshop on Monday, May 11, 2009 between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. at the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic School – Parish Hall / Cafeteria located at 315 Hammond Street, Rocky Mount, 27804.

NCDOT representatives will be available in an informal setting to answer questions and receive comments regarding the proposed rail crossing closure project. The opportunity to submit written comments or questions will be provided. Interested citizens may attend at any time during the above mentioned hours. <u>Please note</u>: there will be no formal presentation.

NCDOT proposes to close the at-grade CSX railroad crossing at Clark Street and will provide alternative access for properties located on Clark Street on either side of the railroad track. Norfolk Street would be extended on the south side of the railroad track between Clark Street and Pender Street; and South Street would be extended on the north side of the railroad track from Pender Street to Branch Street, where Clark Street residents would now have to cross at either Pender Street or Branch Street. The street extensions would occur within the existing CSX right-of-way or on CSX property. The proposed closure of the Clark Street railroad crossing is part of an effort to reduce the number of redundant and/or unsafe rail-highway at-grade crossings statewide.

Anyone desiring additional information may contact Marc Hamel, Environmental & Planning Branch, Rail Division at 1553 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1553, phone (919) 733-7245 x 270, or email mhamel@ncdot.gov.

NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act for disabled persons who wish to participate in this workshop. Anyone requiring special services should contact Mr. Hamel as early as possible so that arrangements can be made.